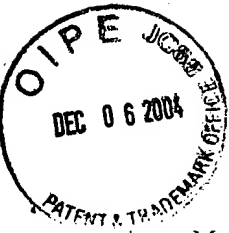


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Applicant:	Pratley et al.	Examiner:	Basehoar, Adam L.
Serial No.:	09/602,306	Group Art Unit:	2178
Filed:	June 23, 2000	Docket:	60001.0157US01
Title:	METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR FILTERING AND SELECTING FROM A CANDIDATE LIST GENERATED BY A STOCHASTIC INPUT METHOD		



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Total Claims								
30	-	27	=	3	x	18.00	=	\$54.00
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Dear Sir:

The present communication is in response to the Office Action dated October 4, 2004. Please enter the following amendments to the claims and consider the following remarks addressing all points raised by the Office Action as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.

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